

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) A tool stowage device for stowing tools, said device comprising:

a container serving configured to receive said tools;
and

closure means complementary to said container, said closure means also being means for taking hold of the container, wherein said tool stowage device being characterized in that said closure means comprise comprises a horizontal plane portion and at least two vertical flanges, said vertical flanges serving as means for taking configured to take hold of the container and co-operating to co-operate with said plane portion to form unclipping opening means that are configured to be actuated by pressing a pressure applied on said vertical flanges as if pressing on a clothes peg, said plane portion configured to accommodate a stress deformation responsive to said pressure, said stress deformation causing said vertical flanges to rotate in response to said pressure and thereby unclip the closure means from the container and open the container.

2. (currently amended) [[A]] The tool stowage device according to claim 1, wherein said tools are drill bits, reamers, pivots, or dental implants.

3. (currently amended) [[A]] The tool stowage device according to claim 1, wherein said plane portion ~~serves as means for expelling~~ is configured to expel said container ~~during upon~~ opening the container by unclipping the closure means from the container.

4. (currently amended) [[A]] The tool stowage device according to claim 1, wherein said container ~~is provided, on~~ comprises at least an one open one of its faces, face provided with at least two tongues ~~serving~~ configured to slidably engage in ~~slideway~~ means grooves formed in the vertical flanges of the closure means.

5. (currently amended) [[A]] The tool stowage device according to claim 4, wherein said tongues ~~are of~~ have a width enabling them configured to receive inscriptions.

6. (currently amended) [[A]] The tool stowage device according to claim 4, wherein said container ~~presents further~~ comprises a female portion, and ~~the lid~~ said closure means presents a male portion, and ~~said male portion being designed is~~ configured to engage in with said female portion when the device is closed[[,]] and ~~to serve as means for blocking block a~~ sliding of the lid closure means relative to the container ~~while the device is being opened by sliding to hold the closure means attached to the container in an open position.~~

7. (currently amended) [[A]] The tool stowage device according to claim 1, wherein said container comprises at least one closed face is provided with at least one orifice in one of its closed faces.

8. (currently amended) [[A]] The tool stowage device according to claim 1, wherein said lid closure means is made of a transparent material.

9. (currently amended) [[A]] The tool stowage device according to claim 1, wherein said lid closure means is made of a plastics material.

10. (currently amended) [[A]] The tool stowage device according to claim 1, wherein said lid closure means is made of a semi-rigid material.

11. (currently amended) [[A]] The tool stowage device according to claim 1, wherein each of said vertical portions flanges of said lid closure means presents has a surface provided with a non-slip means (6) over at least a portion of its said surface.

12. (currently amended) A box provided with an opening/closure system, having at least one recess serving configured to receive a device according to claim 1.

13. (currently amended) [[A]] The box according to claim 12, wherein the ~~edges of~~ said container ~~are means for retaining~~ comprise at least two tongues configured to retain the container in said ~~recesses~~ at least one recess.

14. (currently amended) [[A]] The box according to claim 12, wherein said edges at least two tongues present comprise raising means for raising the container relative to the surface of said box.

15. (currently amended) [[A]] The box according to claim 12, wherein each of said vertical ~~portions~~ flanges of said lid closure means has a bottom portion that is circularly arcuate in shape.

16. (currently amended) [[A]] The box according to claim 12, wherein said bottom portions of said vertical ~~portions~~ flanges are of have a length less than or equal to the a depth of said container.

17. (currently amended) [[A]] The box according to claim 12, ~~wherein said box is further comprising at least one face~~ provided with at least one orifice ~~in one of its faces~~.

18. (new) A tool stowage device for stowing tools, comprising:

a container, configured to receive said tools, comprising an edge surrounding an open face and a tongue portion

extending laterally from the edge on at least two opposite sides of the open face; and

a lid complementary to said container, said lid configured to fasten to and close said container,

wherein said lid comprises a horizontal planar portion and two vertical flanges, a first of the two vertical flanges attached to a first side edge of the horizontal planar portion, and a second of the two vertical flanges attached to a second side edge of the horizontal planar portion opposite the first side edge,

wherein each of the vertical flanges comprise an upper portion above a junction with the horizontal planar portion and a lower portion beneath the junction with the horizontal planar portion, the lower portions of the vertical flanges configured to releasably engage with the tongue portions of the two opposite sides of the container, and

wherein the horizontal planar portion is plastically deformable and configured to co-operate with said at least two vertical flanges to bias the lower portions of the vertical flanges toward the tongue portions of the container and to plastically deform such that the lower portions release the tongue portions of the container in response to a force applied to the upper portions of the vertical flanges.

19. (new) The tool stowage device according to claim 4, wherein said grooves extend from a forward end of the vertical flanges to a rearward end of the vertical flanges.

20. (new) A box, comprising:

a support provided with at least one recess, each recess configured to receive a tool storage device,

wherein said tool storage device comprises:

a container, configured to receive said tools, comprising an edge surrounding an open face and a tongue portion extending laterally from the edge on at least two opposite sides of the open face; and

a lid complementary to said container, said lid configured to fasten to and close said container,

wherein said lid comprises a horizontal planar portion and two vertical flanges, a first of the two vertical flanges attached to a first side of the horizontal planar portion, and a second of the two vertical flanges attached to a second side of the horizontal planar portion opposite the first side,

wherein each of the vertical flanges comprise an upper portion above a junction with the horizontal planar portion and a lower portion beneath the junction with the horizontal planar portion, the lower portions of the vertical flanges configured to releasably engage with the tongue portions of the two opposite sides of the container, and

wherein the horizontal planar portion is plastically deformable and configured to co-operate with said at least two vertical flanges to bias the lower portions of the vertical flanges toward the tongue portions of the container and to plastically deform such that the lower portions release the tongue portions of the container in response to a force applied to the upper portions of the vertical flanges.

